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REMARKS

Claims 1 and 39 through 46 are being cancelled with this amendment to avoid a provisional double patenting rejection.

Claims 1 and 39 through 46 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer and are subject to possible resubmission at a later date or in other applications.

Applicants submit new claims 47 through 54 for examination. Applicants have offered to surrender the original patent no. 5,905,865 in the first reissue application 09/860,259, filed May 19, 1999.

Claims 47 through 54 are now pending in this reissue application.

It is submitted that this reissue application is in good order for allowance, and such early action is respectfully solicited.

Should matters remain which the Examiner believes could be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to telephone the Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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